



McHenry County Workforce Investment Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 15, 7:30 AM
McHenry County Workforce Network Center
500 Russel Court, Woodstock, IL 60098
Conference Room 1

1. Call to Order

1.1 Roll Call

- WIB Chairman Dave Niehus presided over the meeting. He called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30AM.
- Kerrie Johnson took the roll call, and a membership quorum was present.

2. Public Comments – Dave Niehus

- Dave asked if there were any comments / questions from the public, there were none.

3. Consent Agenda (VOTE) – Dave Niehus

- Dave asked if there were any changes and or comments to the consent agenda. There were none.
 - Motion to approve made by Bob Lueders
 - 2nd by Don Wallin
 - All in favor, no abstentions

4. MOU Revisions (VOTE) – Jeffery Poynter

- Jeff explained that the red lined MOU revisions that were sent out to the board were the result of a Final Outcomes letter that we received from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. Jeff explained that the partners met on 10/11/17 to review the letter and discuss our changes. We asked all partners to have their input back to us by the following week so that Kerrie could implement it into the MOU and send it out for final review. All partners participated in the MOU revisions and agreed on the final document that was submitted to DCEO on 10/25/17. Dave asked if there were any questions, there were none.
 - Motion to approve made by Mary Donner
 - 2nd by Maria Martinez McKinley
 - All in favor, no abstentions

5. Young Adult RFP's (VOTE) – Dave Niehus

- Dave stated that we received 2 RFP's proposals back from our request. He stated that the RFP committee met to discuss the responses and was interested in hybrid approach. The committee met with both responders to present their idea and are awaiting feedback from each of them, which is due back today. Dave stated that the committee has a conference call scheduled for tomorrow morning to discuss the responses. Dave stated that we have nothing to vote on at this time. He said that the review committee will make a recommendation to the Executive Committee, which will vote on the issue and will present it to the board at our January meeting. Dave asked if anyone had any questions, no one did.

6. One Stop Operator Update – Jeffery Poynter

- Jeff explained that we have been informally notified that we will have to go out for bid again for the One Stop Operator as we did not include a dollar amount in our original RFP. Jeff stated that 19 of the workforce areas in IL have to redo this process. Jeff stated that we would inform the board as soon as we get the official notification. He did ask for volunteers to be on the One Stop Operator RFP review committee. He stated that if you were part of the last review committee it would be great to have you on this committee again if you are interested.

7. MOU Update – Jeffery Poynter

- Jeff explained that he participated in a webinar about the governor's guidelines for the MOU going forward and it was stated that now that the partners are responsible for cost sharing, the board will need to appoint a person (s) / entity to be responsible for reconciling the costs associated with the One Stop Center. Jeff explained that currently Peggy the Workforce Network fiscal agent is responsible for this.
- Bob Lueders asked if there is any conflict of interest with Peggy doing this. Jeff stated that he didn't think so as she works closely with the county auditing department and the auditors from DCEO.
- Mary Margaret Maule asked if her time for doing this was accounted for in the MOU cost sharing budget. Julie stated that right now it is not, but it is something that we can include in the future as the budget is negotiated every year.
- Dave Niehus stated that we should include this on the agenda for the January meeting for a vote by the board.

8. WIB Business Member Update – Dave Niehus

- Dave asked the board business members if they had anything that they would like to share with the board.
- Olga Ortiz stated that it has been challenging to find and retain people. She stated that this is the worst it has been in the 25 years she has been doing this. Dave Niehus agreed.
- Dave also stated that he is concerned about Foxcon coming into the area next year as they are predicted to be hiring about 1000 workers, which will definitely hurt him.

9. Other Business – Dave Niehus

- Dave asked is anyone had any other business to share.
- Thom Faber, Business Services for McHenry County Workforce Network stated that they had held their apprenticeship event yesterday morning. He stated that the point of this event was to bring awareness about apprenticeships to the business community. He stated that about 35 employers attended the event. Overall he thought the event went really well. He stated that the next step to this event is follow up with the employers to gauge what the interest level in apprenticeships is. Then after that start bringing in students targeted at specific employers. The main objective of this effort is retention and to help with some of the challenges to solve the skills gap. Thom also wanted to thank the whole team that helped put this event together.
- Jeffery Poynter also wanted to thank the team for all of their hard work. He stated that they did a great job.

10. Next Meeting: January 17, 2018; 7:30AM; McHenry County Workforce Network Center

11. Meeting Adjourned 8:00am

Attendance	
Name	Representing / Agency
1. Bobbi Baehne	Think Big Go Local
2. Kurt Beier	First Institute
3. Julie Courtney	McHenry County Workforce Network
4. Mary Donner	Pace
5. Dr. Clinton Gabbard	MCC
6. Jennifer Hall	MercyHealth
7. Bob Lueders	Radicom
8. Maria Martinez-McKinley	DRS
9. Mary Margaret Maule	Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce
10. Doug Martin for Derik Morefield	City of McHenry
11. David Niehus	CRV Electronics
12. Olga Ortiz	Berry Global
13. Doug Potts	IDES
14. Charlene Choklad for Berni Szczepanski	Centegra
15. Don Wallin	Joule Technologies
16. Rhonda Wood	DHS
17. Others / Guests	
18. Thom Faber	MCWN
19. Doug Martin	City of McHenry
20. Jeffery Poynter	WIB Director
21. Kerrie Johnson	WIB Assistant
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